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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re PATENT application of )  
SHUNPEI YAMAZAKI et al. )  
Serial No. 08/799,506 ) Art Unit: 1107  
Filed: February 12, 1997 ) Examiner: M. Wilczewski  
For: METHOD FOR PROCESSING )  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, )  
APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A )  
SEMICONDUCTOR AND APPARATUS )  
FOR PROCESSING SEMICONDUCTOR )  
DEVICE )

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Honorable Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Supplemental Amendment in the above-identified application.

- [ X ] No additional fee is required. Fees for this Supplemental Amendment were paid with the filing of this application, but the amendment was not entered. All additional claim fees have already been paid.
- [ X ] In the event applicant(s) has overlooked the need for any petition and fee for extension of time, and such extension is required, applicant(s) requests that this be considered a petition therefor and that such fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-2380(0756-1131).
- [ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(a), 1.20(b), 1.20(c) and 1.20 (d). (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit

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Respectfully submitted,



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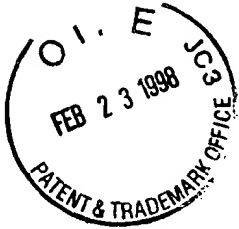
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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Sir:

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 10, 11, 14, 15, 22, 27-29, 35-36, 41-42, and 44-46 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the remaining claims as follows: